

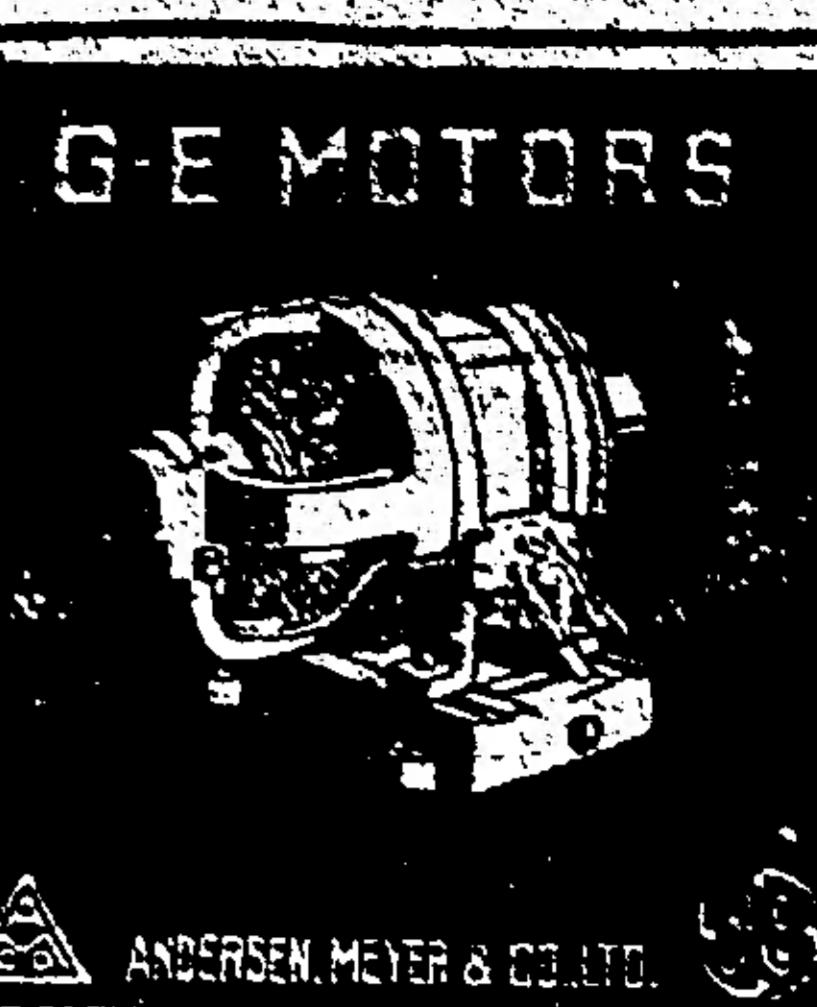


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## EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents)

### THE NAMSANG GOLD ROBBERY.

Singapore, November 26. On the arrival of the s.s. Namsang at Penang on 23rd inst. it was discovered that the ship's strong room had a hole in it and that six boxes of gold consigned to Penang, to the value of £6,000 sterling, had been extracted. The hole had been patched up and empty cases placed to cover up the spot. It is stated that three of the crew deserted at Singapore.

### TYphoon Batters Ships.

Singapore, November 26. The three ships Hongmoh, Vitim, and Towa Maru arrived yesterday, battered by the typhoon. The Hongmoh fared worst. The Towa Maru lost 300 cases of sulphuric acid and one sailor is missing.

### SINGAPORE EXCHANGE.

Singapore, November 26. A Gazette Extraordinary fixes the Indian exchange at rupees 105 equal to 100 dollars, after the 27th inst. Orders despatched from the Straits will be paid at rupees 115 equal 100 dollars.

### THE SHANTUNG PROBLEM.

Shanghai, November 26. The Students' Unions, Street Unions and other organisations have passed resolutions of thanks to the American Senate for its Shantung stand and request the American press to continue its sympathetic attitude.

### EXTENSIVE BRIBERY AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, November 26. Three Chinese Police are on trial at the Mixed Court charged with bribery. The Police evidence points that bribery was attempted of the entire Hongkew station Chinese Police, sixteen shopkeepers contributing \$25 dollars monthly, allowing each of the 208 Police \$1.66.

### SHANGHAI SPECIALS DEMOBED.

Shanghai, November 26. The Special Constables are being demobilised on Thursday, the Council arranging for an inspection.

### THANKSGIVING IN SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, November 26. The Thanksgiving celebrations on Thursday will include Church services, dances and American football.

### SHANGHAI MONEY MARKET.

Shanghai, November 26. The money market is easier. The Banks are again buying export bills.

### TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

#### RUSSIAN SOLDIERS ON THE MOVE.

Shanghai, November 26. On receiving a report from the authority of Shinkian (East Turkestan) to the effect that over 100,000 Russian soldiers are collected in Samara with the intention of proceeding to Siberia, the Government has ordered the North-Western provincial authorities to strengthen the defence forces.

#### THE CABINET DEADLOCK.

Shanghai, November 26. Kan Wan-Pang, the Premier, has declared that if Parliament does not assemble and vote on the appointment of Cabinet members in ten days' time, he will have them appointed directly by the President's mandate.

## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

### BOLSHEVIKS ROUTED.

Stockholm, Nov. 26. From Helsingfors Denikin reports that he has broken through the Bolshevik front between Orel and Tscheljabinsk, annihilating 50,000 Bolsheviks. The report adds that peasants and workmen in the manufacturing centres are revolting against the Soviet.

London, Nov. 26. A "Times" Taiga message of 14th inst. says that Koltchak is reported to be at Tatarskoe, 100 miles east of Omsk. The Reds yesterday were forty miles beyond Omsk. Koltchak's armies are retiring crossing the frozen Irtysh in most orderly fashion.

### THE FRENCH CABINET.

Paris, Nov. 26. The French Minister of Public Works, M. Claviere, is to be appointed Chairman of the International Commission on the Rhine. According to the Treaty of Versailles the Rhine became an international river, with French prominence concerning waterworks. Paris circles state the present Ministry is not likely to retire on account of the imminent Municipal, Senate and Presidential elections, which are considered politically as a whole. Therefore M. Clemenceau will retire when all electoral matters are settled.—Havas.

### IMPERIAL WIRELESS.

London, Nov. 26. The Government has appointed a committee to prepare a complete scheme of Imperial wireless communications. Sir Henry Norman has been appointed chairman and there is a strong personnel, including the experts Sir John Smeat, Professors Retzius and Beesley and Mr. James Swindale.

### THE PORTE'S CRY.

Constantinople, Nov. 26. The Porte has appealed to the Peace Conference to hasten the Turkish settlement, pointing out the grave reasons for a speedy conclusion of peace.

### OBITUARY.

London, Nov. 26. The death is announced of Sir Guy Laking. Sir Guy Francis Laking was keeper and Secretary and Accounting Officer of the British Museum. He was born on 21st October, 1870. Trained as an architect, he later joined the famous firm of Christie. He was an authority on art and published many books, etc.

### NOVEMBER HANDICAP.

Manchester, Nov. 26. The Manchester November Handicap result is as follows: 1. King John (Wheatly); 2. Plant (Robbins); 3. Chat Tor (Shatwell). Seventeen ran.

The betting was: King John, 13-2; Plant, 10-1; Chat Tor, 9-2.

### JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

Paris, Nov. 26. The Japanese Peace Delegation emphatically deny that Japan would have entered into negotiations in a neutral country with the Soviet Government.—Havas.

### APOSTOLIC DELEGATE TO JAPAN.

Paris, Nov. 26. Monsignore Fumasoni Bondoni, who was formerly in India, has been appointed Apostolic Delegate to Japan.—Havas.

### WHEAT SUPPLIES.

New York, Nov. 26. The embargo on wheat is to be lifted on 15th December.

### THE IMPERATOR.

New York, Nov. 26. The ex-German liner, Imperator, has been handed over to the British authorities.

## THE MOTOR BANDITS.

### FURTHER DETAILS OF YESTERDAY'S ESCAPE.

As reported yesterday, a gang of robbers made a daring attack on a money changer's shop at No. 40, Des Voeux Road West.

Later incidents in the affair serve to show the extent of the daring they resorted

to effect a coup which,

but for the plucky intervention of the Police, would have resulted

in a serious loss for the shop.

As it turns out, a number of persons

were more or less seriously injured

by shots fired by the robbers

and a coolie who had the ill-luck

to get into the way of

the robbers whilst they were

making their escape through Des

Voeux Road was shot in the left

side and died immediately after.

For the first time in Hongkong a motor car was brought into requisition by the robbers and the incidents which followed the acquisition of this useful means of escape savoured very much of the "dreadfulness" of the detective cinema serials.

Shortly before 1.45 p.m. yesterday, a Chinese came to the Star Garage and, planking down a sum of money, hired a car, which the driver was told to take to No. 40, Des Voeux Road West. Reaching the destination, the chauffeur was treated to a rude shock. A number of armed men emerging from the shop got into the car and the chauffeur was forced by means of revolvers to drive westward.

What had actually happened

in the shop previous to this incident was as follows:—Four men

at about 1.45 p.m. entered the

shop and held up the folks with

revolvers. Whilst this was being

done, one of the intruders entered

the accountant's room and

from behind the counter unearthed a sum of money amounting

to about \$5,700 in banknotes.

This haul having been effected,

the men rushed into the motor

car which, as stated, had been

requisitioned by another accomplice.

The bullets used by the robbers

were of the No. 22 calibre. The

Police now have five revolvers

captured from the robbers.

The casualty list as issued by

the Police is as follows:

A Chinese detective No. 48,

shot through the right elbow by

the robbers in the tea house

affray.

A Chinese constable, No.

603, shot in the abdomen.

He is now in a serious

condition at the Government

Civil Hospital.

now induced the chauffeur to put

on more speed to escape from the

danger, which the presence of so

many constables who had by now

come on the scene produced. The

car was soon lost sight of by the

police.

Meantime the robbers went to No.

2210 for reinforcements to

intercept the robbers, and these

evidently had the effect of com-

pelling the bandits to abandon

the car, in Collinson Road.

In the meantime every street

in the Western District was

patrolled by the Police and an

active look-out was kept

for the robbers. Fresh reinforce-

ments came from the Central

Police Station under the direction

of the A.S.P., Mr. C. Purdie, and

Chief Inspector Kerr. The whole

of the detective staff under C.D.I.

Muirison were also called out.

The robbers evidently dispersed

after abandoning the car. Three

of them were traced to a tea

house in Catchick Street. Here

an exciting revolver duel was

witnessed. Sergeant Clark, in

pursuing the robbers, was

shot at by one of them in

front of the tea shop and was

slightly wounded in the left

thigh. The Sergeant, notwithstanding this, and in spite of the

fact that he was unarmed, his

revolver having been lost in the

chase, pluckily grappled with

his assailant and after a hard

struggle overpowered him.

In subsequent events in con-

nection with the chase of the

robbers, a Chinese detective was

shot in the right elbow and an-

other seriously wounded in the

abdomen. The other two robbers

after their escape from the tea

house were known to have escap-

ed up the hillside. A search

party was accordingly organised

and the robbers were subsequently

arrested after an exchange of

shots on the hillside above Jubilee

Road. The one arrested by

Detective Sergeant Field had his

right hand wounded by a shot

from the Sergeant whilst holding

his revolver.

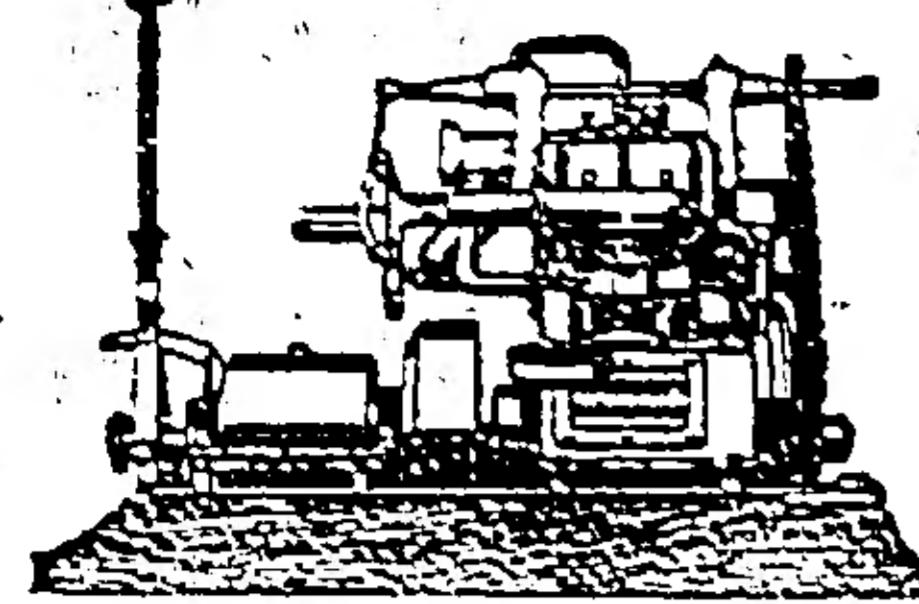
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AN AMAZING HUNAN  
MEETING.

A correspondent of the N. C. D. N. writes from Changsha under date of Nov. 10.—The following is a translation of an account of a secret meeting convened by the Changsha county magistrate which was written by one of the gentry present and given by him to a friend who happens also to a friend of the translator. I do not know the name of the writer, but the "mutual" friend assures me that the writer is not a man who would pervert the truth. When I first read the paper, I could but think that it was meant as a joke on the county magistrate; but one and another Chinese reader of the paper has told me that the account is exactly what they have heard from others who attended the meeting. No Chinese suspects anything in the account. I am translating it in its entirety. It speaks for itself without need of comment.

From time of the arrival of the Tuchun, Chang Chin-yao, in Hunan, he has been devising every means possible to scrape all the money that he can lay hold of, no odds by what manner or what means it can be got. He has just conceived a most strange heaven-given opportunity. If his plan is carried out, it will mean utter ruin to all the fathers, sons and brothers of Hunan. During the month, October, the Changsha country magistrate received orders to assemble all the country gentry under his control at his official residence. The assembly was to be quite secret. The order stated that the gentry were to persuade the farmers to grow opium in order to raise revenue in a way that would bring profit to the private purse. The main drift of the meeting was as follows:

"The magistrate in announcing the matter said:—The Commander-in-chief ("Ta Shuai")—the title formerly given by military officials, but not generally used by civil officials, to the viceroy of a province) sees that you Hunanese since the time he came into the province have suffered from the evils of the military, of flood and of drought until you are as poor as can be. Because of this, he has thought out an excellent plan for you which will open up new sources of wealth. Embrace the opportunity given you without delay—Sow Opium. Crops sown in the ninth (lunar) month can be gathered in the third month. People and soldiers will all be able to get opium. Just now the price of opium is exceedingly high. This will enable you to make big profits. Moreover, the C.I.C. will himself be able to gain some little "fertilization" that will enable him to meet the military expenses of the province. Fearing, perchance, that there may be in Hunan a "foolish" (the old "Yumin" of the Manchu official proclamations crops up again), senseless people who are afraid to act in this way, I have specially called you together that I may make the matter clear to you. In all your districts, you must explain to the farmers that four-tenths of their fields should be sown with opium, the remainder will be left for the rice crops. At the time of gathering the rice crops, the revenue will be proportionate to the crop: One ounce of opium will pay one dollar. This plan will not only be no hindrance to the farming, it will produce very large profits and the two sides (i.e., farmers and government) will both be enriched. I think the Hunanese will be delighted!

"Having listened to the Hsien some of the foremost men in the audience rose and controverted the matter." They said: "Opium is strictly forbidden. If we were to act in this way, we should be disobeying the orders of the Central Government, and should incur heavy penalties. The people of Hunan will not dare to act as you wish in this matter." The Hsien answered: "You know perfectly well that there can be no truce between the North and South. The Northern Government is not to be relied on; the Southern Government is not to be trusted. In the future, there will certainly be countless forms of government. The C.I.C. is here and will be your protector. If you say, 'Our good name will not stand erect; our words will not be, as we should like, them to be. We cannot act thus,'—the C.I.C. has thought of this difficulty and has devised a capital plan. At the time of paying the tax on the opium, you need not call it a 'tax,' call it a 'fine.' The C.I.C. will give you a receipt for your money using that phraseology.

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The policy advocated, says the  
Elementary Education Sub Committee,  
is to transfer from elementary schools to secondary  
and central schools all pupils  
capable of going beyond Standard  
VII: before reaching the age of 13. Such pupils are two standards  
above the normal for their age.  
Removal should, as far as possible,  
take place at the age of 11.

At the same time new methods  
must be introduced for teaching  
the mass of children between 11 and  
14, who remain behind in the  
elementary schools.

At present there are 50 central  
schools with ultimate provision  
for 60. It is desirable to provide  
for, at least, as additional 40,  
making 100 in all, and requiring  
an annual draft of from 8,000 to  
9,000 pupils, or from 2,000 to  
3,000 more than at present.  
Courses of instruction in these  
schools should in future  
approximate to five years.

On the subject of improved  
teaching in ordinary elementary  
schools, the committee quotes a  
report of a committee on juvenile  
education in relation to employ-  
ment which says:

"Education is a mental process,  
but the truth is that for many  
children, especially those who  
live by their hands, the best  
avenue to the mind is through  
the hands. This has not yet worked its  
complete revolution in the  
pedagogic methods of the  
nineteenth century."

There must be established, says  
the committee, a proper balance  
in the curriculum between the  
practical and the literary subjects,  
and there is no proposal that the  
humanities should be neglected.

For the boys' schools in  
particular there should be plenty  
of practical arithmetic and  
geometrical drawing. Much  
greater attention should be given  
in all schools to drawing. Practical  
instruction, such as cookery,  
laundry work, housewifery, dairy  
work, handicrafts, and gardening,  
should be on a much wider basis,  
and there might be in suitable  
schools classes in millinery and  
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## CHURCH CONGRESS AND SPIRITUALISM.

## SIR A. CONAN DOYLE CHALLENGED.

Spiritualism was the chief topic at the resumed Church Congress proceedings at Leicester recently.

The discussion was marked by a recognition of the importance of the subject, and at the close the Archbishop of Canterbury announced that it would be considered at the Lambeth Palace Conference next year. It had not, he said, been overlooked by the Church.

A paper on "The Christian Doctrine of the Future, with Special Reference to Spiritualism," led to the discussion.

Dr. Inge, Dean of St. Paul's, was the first speaker. He said it was only in modern times and most strongly in the half century before the war, that the belief in eternal life had lost its roots in the soul.

We could not go back to the crude eschatology of the past, but we need not warn Churchmen against the pitiable revival of necromancy, in which many desolate and bleeding hearts have sought a spurious satisfaction. If this kind of after-life were true it would indeed be a melancholy postponement or negation of all that we hoped and believed about our blessed dead.

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He gave recent instances of the results of investigation, remarking that Mrs. Lennard's bricks, made of condensed gas, and her whisky, sodas and cigars, as in the spirit world, added to our perplexities. He regarded it as a danger to the mental sanity of the nation that neurotic persons should be accepted as channels between the living and the dead. The Christian religion offered the knowledge and experience of this Apostolic doctrine of the com-

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union of saints, gave infinitely more solace to the bereaved than spiritualism could give.

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The Rev. J. A. V. Magee, son of the late Archbishop Magee, in closing the discussion, said spiritualism was more than a craze—it was a passion. There were earnest seekers, but there was also a vast amount of fraud. He jocularly alluded to the results of some seances. Cardinal Newman was found to have forgotten his Latin by using the word "benedicat," instead of "benedicat." George Eliot forgot his grammar, and Julius Caesar got into a muddle in his geography. (Laughter.)

The late Mr. Stead got some communication from Myers, who informed the world that he was wandering through the shades looking for Tennyson. (More laughter.)

Take the case of "Raymond." Oh, the pitifulness of some of these communications!

"If," said Mr. Magee, "the life beyond be as 'Raymond' describes it, I would personally prefer to take unfurnished lodgings in Gehenna. I here challenge Sir Arthur Conan Doyle to do the same if this kind of after-life were true. It would indeed be a melancholy postponement or negation of all that we hoped and believed about our blessed dead."

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Amongst all the clamour for a shorter day no one seems to have advocated any form of pressure to prevent the exploitation of children of school age. It must be remembered that they are at school for five and a half hours to begin with, and that school makes a very considerable drain upon the vitality of little people under fourteen.

The Medical Sub-Committee of Warrington Education Committee has published some striking figures as to child labour in that town. Several hundreds of children under eleven years are employed out of school hours. One girl of seven works 7½ hours weekly, another works 21 hours for 6d., and a girl of nine is employed 14 hours for the same wage.

A boy of eight years works 2½ hours every day and eight hours on Saturday for 2s.; another, aged nine, works 18 hours a week in a bakehouse. A lad of 10 works 25 hours a week, of which 13 are on a Saturday. A girl aged 10 washes, peels and chips potatoes for 20 hours a week for the sum of 1s. Not one of the 721 cases investigated got proper remuneration with the exception of the boys who sell and deliver newspapers.

TO SLEEPY TO LEARN.

Sir George Newman gives the following instances in his report to the Board of Education:

Errand boy age 12, works an hour before breakfast, one hour at mid-day, four hours after school, and 13 hours on Saturday. His wages are 1s. 9d. a week, and his teacher reports him inattentive in school, over-tired and nervous.

Boy of 11 worked 2½ hours before school, 2½ hours after school, and 13 hours on Saturday. Teacher reports he often fell asleep in school.

Boy of 11 works in and about stables for eight hours a day, and 14 hours on Saturdays. Wages 6d. a week and his food. Teacher reports that he is dull and languid in school.

Then Mr. Spurley Hey, Director of Education in Manchester, says that in that city there are 6,000 children of school age employed for profit, some of whom work for 40 hours a week in addition to their time in school.

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HONGKONG, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27. 1919.

### CHEAPER HOUSES.

Hongkong is not by any means the only place where the housing problem has reached an acute stage. High rates of rentals and a decided scarcity of dwellings-places are common to most civilised centres at the moment. At Home, various schemes are under way for the purpose of bringing relief to householders and to those who cannot find accommodation, whilst in America experiments are being carried out with a view to cheapening the cost of construction. The era of high rentals and increased cost of building has stirred thinkers to action for faster and more economical construction. We read, for instance, that the other day, under the personal supervision of Edison, the inventor, a cement house was begun and completed in the States just ten days after the first material was delivered on the site. That shows what can be done by standardisation. We realise, of course, that what is possible in Europe and America may not be possible here in Hongkong, though we should like to feel that there are alert minds in our midst turning over the question of reform, both in the interests of rapid construction and cheap building of houses. The other day, a correspondent suggested that frame dwelling houses might be introduced here. We should like to hear the views of local architects and builders on this point.

In Europe and the United States, whilst the building industry has made great strides in the last generation, yet it has not advanced as other industries where parts are highly standardised and made interchangeable and to economical quantity production. Buildings are still "made" or "built" rather than manufactured or constructed as in the case of cheap watches or clocks, sewing machines, typewriters or low-priced motor cars. Most of the reforms in building methods have been for monumental, commercial and industrial structures rather than the average dwelling houses that most people can afford to occupy. And the reason has been a good one. Up until now there has not been the economic demand. And with the demand there will be the supply of reform. Economic necessity is the mother, father, nurse and school teacher of accomplishment. In America, the steel, stone, terra cotta and wood parts of a structure are now cut or formed in well ordered manufacturing plants, equipped with power machine tools, they are numbered, taken to the building site and put into place. But it still requires from 90 to 120 days to build the average frame dwelling house. Moreover, these dwelling houses cannot be economically constructed one or two at a time as is usually the case. According to the standardised plan they must be constructed in large numbers and all at once. Either a large number of individual owners must agree to build at once, or the project must be in the hands of a real estate agent who will complete the houses and sell to individual owners according to demand. In this way the property agent will perform a function much after the manner of the merchant who assembles a stock of standardised manufactured goods for the convenience of the community.

Whether it is possible to reduce the cost of building locally by the introduction of new methods is a matter which is best dealt with by experts in the question, though we can conceive that the Colony's building regulations would have to be very much modified before anything in this nature could come about. With cost of labour much cheaper than at Home, the question is often asked by laymen why building should be so expensive here. Possibly the slowness with which the native works and the immeasurably larger number of workmen required on a job than at Home are the principal factors. In the Straits, when the Housing Commission sat, it was discovered that prices of materials were being kept high by a ring of contractors. Possibly that is true of Hongkong also. The Government might do worse than look into the matter, anyhow. Be that as it may, present circumstances demand that fresh ideas shall be brought to bear on this housing question. We must keep abreast with the times. Otherwise we cannot hope to see the problem solved.

### NOTES & COMMENTS.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY.

Fifty-five years ago, Abraham Lincoln ordained that the last Thursday in November should be observed as an annual festival of thanksgiving in the United States. It has so been observed ever since. In essence, Thanksgiving Day is a national harvest celebration, and was first observed by the Plymouth Fathers at Plymouth in 1621, after they gathered their first harvest. Once again, "Thanksgiving" has come round, and though it is not being officially celebrated locally, most of our American friends are foregathering at private functions. Here in the Orient, far from the Homeland, their memories will take them back to days gone by, when, amidst joyous surroundings, families were reunited and a spirit comparable only to our own feelings at Christmastide prevailed. It is on such days that the American community here gets closer together, realising the bonds of a common nationality, than at any other time of the year. Thoughts will fly homeward to-day, but, though in self-imposed exile, Uncle Sam's citizens know that they are amidst true friends in this British Colony. On this their day of happiness and joy, we extend to them our felicitations, glad in the knowledge that never were Britshers and Americans more firmly bound together in ties of true friendship than at the present time.

#### A DANGEROUS TRESPASS.

When mere man begins to talk about ladies' fashions he is trespassing on a very righteously held prerogative of women folk, and he is also treading on very dangerous ground. The writer does not pretend to know anything at all about women's fashions, and he must instantly say so. "Sacha" of our Ladies' Page will begin to feel an animosity for which there is no cause. Man is only privileged to talk about fashions when some other man has had the temerity to raise the topic, and that is the present writer's excuse. In yesterday's *Canton Times* it says that at the 64th meeting of the Canton City Police Officers those present discussed "the scandalous trend of the present fashion in women's dress. They claim that the coats of the ladies are getting shorter, as are also the trousers and skirts". The enterprising reporter of this meeting goes on to add a few thoughts of his own, saying: "To the unacquainted this action of the police will seem very strange, but the fact is that our policemen, who are evidently zealous upholders of the Confucian precepts, see danger in this trend of fashion. The Sage gave as much of his time as to the propriety of dress as has any moralist of standing in the Western world, unless it be Addison with his tea-table philosophy. But for Kwan Chung," said the master, "we should now be wearing our hair unbound and the lappels of our coats buttoning on the left side". Readers of these notes will be inclined to remark on what a terrible fate was thus averted. If it were possible we should like to give the hint to Canton Police officials that if they are seeking to stay the "progress" of women's fashions they have embarked on a very hopeless task. The Rev. F. B. Meyer has been holding forth lately on the fashion question, but except to make himself even more notorious has not cut much ice. Does he ever hope to?

#### THE ONLY RULE.

There is a train of thought suggested by the above in connection with the adoption of Western dress by various Eastern women. One sees her in Hongkong, and in the many Ports out East where Western women have come to stay, that their Eastern sisters—the more well-to-do section of them—have freely adopted Western dress, at least so far as the skirt is concerned. The Chinese have discarded their trousers, the Japanese their kimono, and the Malays their sarong, and one is given to wonder whether time will ever bring about a universality of dress among the men and women of the earth. Certain it is that if that time ever does come it is a very long distant. Perhaps it is that climatic conditions will always govern the style—it certainly always will govern the amount. Humanity would lose a good deal of the picturesque and artistic, and after all is said and done dress is in many cases a national characteristic of undoubted value. There is only one rule to lay down in this connection—let the women please themselves. The

### DAY BY DAY.

#### THE POWER TO DO GREAT THINGS, GENERALLY ARMED FROM THE WILLINGNESS TO DO SMALL THINGS.

Once again, the return of communicable diseases yesterday was blank.

Mr. J. Pringle left for Home by the Rhesus yesterday. Mr. N. S. Brown travelled to Singapore by the same boat.

The *Panama Maru*, which arrived yesterday from Singapore, sustained severe damage owing to a typhoon.

A report and criticism of the pianoforte recital given at the Helena May Institute last evening by Professor Sklarovsky will be found in to-day's *Musical Jottings*.

Mr. Justice Gompertz, who has resumed his duties as Puisne Judge at the Supreme Court, must have created something of a record on his arrival here on Monday. Although he did not land until practically mid-day, he was presiding in his Court at 2.15. After long leave this certainly is "getting a move on".

Although there has been no official public celebration by the American community of Thanksgiving Day there have been quite a number of private functions held. The offices of the American Consulate General were closed, and the day has been observed as a holiday by most of the American business men.

The *Panama Maru*, which King Edward to lie alongside the Blake Pier so as to obstruct the free access of other vessels, there to at 11.45 p.m. on the 19th instant, the master was to-day fined \$20 by Captain Basil Taylor. R. N. Inspector Cashman said he found the defendant's launch tied up alongside Blake Pier, causing obstruction. She was not landing or embarking passengers or cargo. She had been lying there twenty minutes.

As I predicted last week, the band of H.M.S. *Hawkins* will fortunately be available for the St. Andrew's Ball which takes place to-morrow night. At the practice dance on Tuesday last the band was in attendance and everyone present was delighted with the dance music it played.

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### MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

#### [BY "ENHARMONIC".]

The week has been another very dull period musically, but signs show that better times are coming. Since Mr. Chapman gave his organ recital in the Union Church last Wednesday, nothing public has occurred in a musical way to enliven us, and, although it has been said often before, the truth of it demands the re-statement that it is time that things were different.

In connection with the arrival of the Wiltshire Regiment residents generally must have been greatly heartened to learn that the regiment brings with it a very fine band, and we can safely say that Bandmaster Easton and the men under him will receive a very glad welcome when they make a public appearance. They come among us at a time when there is a real agitation for a public band, and they will fill a want that is undoubtedly keen.

One wonders whether their advent will cause a shelving of the question of the Colony having a real band of its own. Personally, I hope that it will not, for in addition to the presence of a military band there is ample room here for a band that could be utilised on all occasions, such as Theatre engagements, dances, etc. Concerts in the Public Gardens could easily be made a feature of summer evenings—in fact there is not much need to go into arguments; they are easily apparent.

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### TRROUBLE ON TROOP SHIP.

#### A TRIMMER CHARGED.

W. Reynolds, trimmer of the *s.s. Trazos Montes*, was prosecuted this morning before Captain Basil Taylour, R. N., Marine Magistrate, for assaulting the third mate on board the same ship at 11 a.m. on the 18th instant, whilst the vessel was on her way from London to Hongkong.

Thomas Henry Jones, third mate of the *Trazos Montes*, said that on the 18th instant, while the ship was at Singapore lying alongside Tanjong Pagar, he was on duty on the gangway. He saw defendant on shore, against orders. He told him to come on board and he did so. He asked if he was aware that he was not allowed on shore. He did not answer. He walked along a few yards then turned round and said something and gathered a crowd of soldiers.

Witness told him to move along quietly, laying his hand on his left shoulder. Defendant turned round and struck witness on his upper lip, and two sentries came and took him away. Witness could not say whether he was sober or not.

Cross-examined by defendant: "How did I gather the soldiers together?—You were saying something I could not hear, as I was too far away, and they stood round laughing."

Lt. H. R. Hicks, of the Wiltshire Regiment, said he was standing talking to the last witness on the starboard side of the deck. He heard Mr. Jones give an order to come on board, but he took no notice. The order was repeated and obeyed. Defendant remained on the gangway and refused to go any further. Mr. Jones then ordered him forward and defendant turned round and struck him in the mouth.

Defendant, examined, said he went ashore by a gangway. He had not received any order about going ashore, and had no permission to go ashore. While he was on the wharf Mr. Jones hailed him to go on board. He went up the gangway and Mr. Jones asked him whether he did not know that he was not allowed ashore. Defendant replied that he did not know anything about it. When leaving Mr. Jones, defendant spoke to one of the soldiers for whom he had bought some souvenirs; asking him if he had got them all right. Defendant then walked away. Mr. Jones came after defendant and punched him twice on the neck, so he struck him back.

The case was remanded till to-morrow morning.

### HONGKONG HOTEL SENSATION.

#### EUROPEAN SKIPPER BADLY INJURED.

The serenity of the Hongkong Hotel was disturbed this afternoon by a strange occurrence. At a quarter to 3 o'clock, Captain J. A. L. Taylor, of the Indo-China S.S. Company, fell from the verandah of the second floor of the Hotel, just in front of the entrance on Pedder Street.

The first persons to notice the fall was a Hongkong Hotel runner. He found Captain Taylor lying on the ground unconscious. A motor car was immediately requisitioned and he was taken to the Government Civil Hospital. He soon regained consciousness.

He sustained a compound fracture of the left leg and severe cuts on the head.

The Police arrived on the scene soon after and instituted exhaustive enquiries. Captain Taylor, it is expected, will be in hospital for many weeks.

### MILITARY MEDAL.

#### PRESENTED TO HONGKONG POLICE OFFICER.

This afternoon, at the Central Police Station compound, H.E. the Governor presented the Military Medal to Sgt. Hutchins, of the Police Force in the presence of a large gathering of members of the Force.

Sgt. Hutchins, who as a constable left Hongkong early in the war for the Front, joined the 1st King Edward's Horse on December 15th, 1915, and saw service in Southern Italy. He was demobilised in February of this year and on return to the Colony was promoted Lance Sergeant.

This afternoon's proceedings will be more fully reported in to-morrow's issue.

### TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

It would seem almost incredible were it not vouch'd for on good authority (says the *Manchester Guardian*) that women touring the battlefields have been seen removing steel helmets from the rude crosses marking the lonely graves of soldiers, and that parties of tourists have been boasting of their trophies. It must be taken as another proof that there is no law of decency governing the tourist who is also a confirmed souvenir hunter. In these people is the true embodiment of Jekyll and Hyde—at home and in their ordinary conduct they may be excellent citizens, with at least the ordinary standard of public and private decency; when they are scoundrels hunting they are entirely different people.

The girl in one corner of the carriage was reading Charlotte Bronte's "Villette." Her companion was buried in the first volume of "Sinister Street," remarks the *Daily News*. Desultory fragments of conversation, only possible when there was a simultaneous turning of leaves, indicated that they were both employed in a Government department. The girl in the opposite corner, who was obviously a clerk or typist, never lifted her head from the pages of Mr. Conrad's "Victory." It made one doubt whether one could find a penny novellette in the whole length of that suburban train. A suburban bookseller, on being questioned, remarked that the sale and circulation of the more ephemeral type of novel is as extensive as ever, but its chief patron is the middle-aged woman. She would not, however, go so far as to assent to a generalisation that the mothers are reading the light and popular fiction, whilst their daughters are devoting themselves to a study of the younger and more serious school of novelists—"although it sometimes seems like it," he cautiously added.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough to-day sold, by order of the Marshal of the Prize Court, the steam launch Blackhead. The Hongkong Government were the purchasers at \$7,500.

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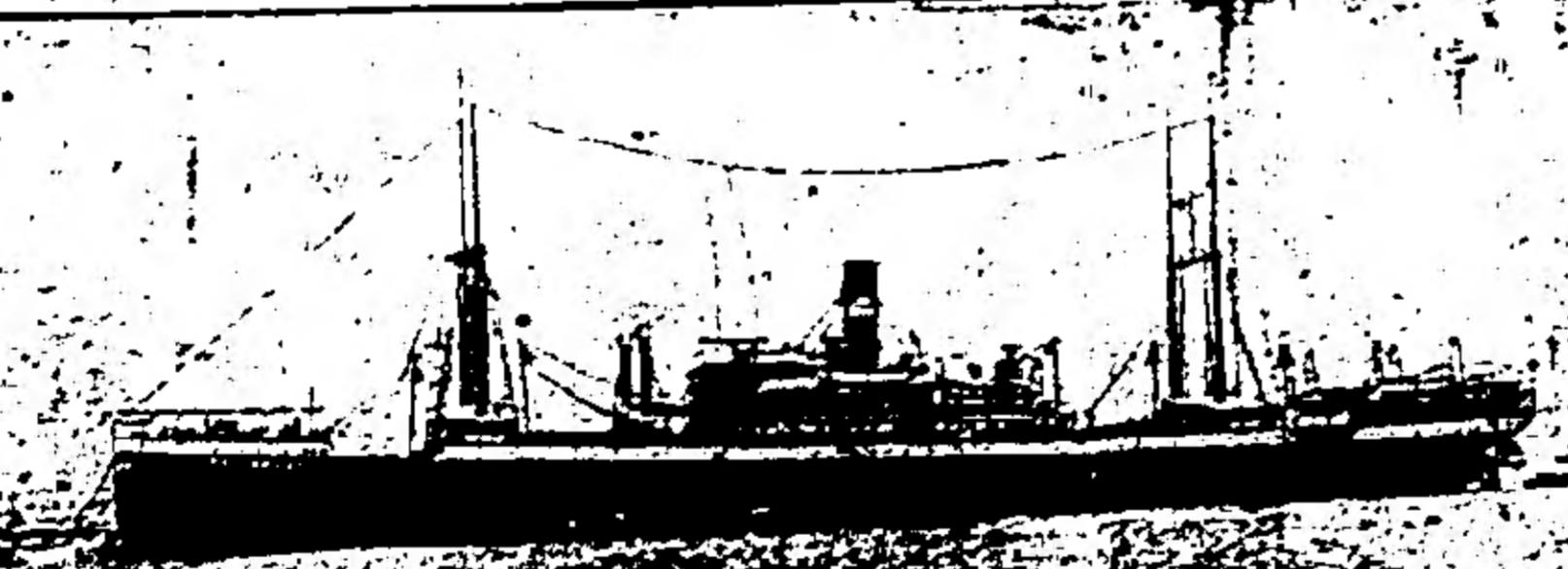
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## EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

## D'ANNUNZIO'S ENTERPRISES.

London, Nov. 21. The situation in the Adriatic as the result of D'Annunzio's activities is very grave. The censorship in Rome was lifted for the first time since the Zara raid yesterday, when a semi-official account of D'Annunzio's landing was issued. This and the semi-official message from Belgrade indicate that D'Annunzio aims at annexing Dalmatia and attacking Montenegro, while it is hinted in Reuter's Rome correspondent's statement that some of D'Annunzio's partisans are counting on support from interior Italy and planning a sedition in Italy itself. Jugo-Slavia is now in a white heat of indignation and the semi-official Belgrade message speaks of "prompt decisions against the Italian rebels."

## THE PEACE TREATY.

Paris, Nov. 21. The Supreme Peace Council will strive to make the Treaty of Versailles go into effect on December 1.—Havas.

Paris, Nov. 23.

The departure of the German delegate Simson for Berlin is commented on. Simson says he must consult his Government regarding the new conventions, notably as regards failure to carry out certain clauses of the armistice. It is declared that this will prevent ratification of the Treaty by December 1st as fixed.

## UNREST IN EGYPT.

Alexandria, Nov. 18. Troops have been posted at commanding points and armoured cars and cavalry are patrolling. All is quiet. The entry of the troops is welcomed very thankfully by the Europeans. There was an innovation in demonstrations today, small girls walking in front of the bier of the funeral of a man killed in the disturbances and boys forming vanguard and rear guard. When the mob last night searched the tramcars for officers and soldiers an officer escaped, being hidden by respectable natives under their robes.

## BRITAIN'S WAR EFFORT.

London, Nov. 22. The War Office announces that between August, 1914, and 31st October last 266,000 honours, excluding the Air Force, were awarded for services in the field and 13,352 for other war services, whereof the Indian forces were awarded 6,317 and 105 respectively. The total includes 577 Victoria Crosses and 105 Distinguished Service Crosses. The total number of officers and men in the British Army during wartime approximated 6,100,000. In the South African War, 348,433 participated and the honours awarded totalled 3,714.

## AMERICAN COALMINERS.

Washington, Nov. 23. The Acting President of the Miners' Union, on behalf of the bituminous coalminers, accepted the Secretary for Labour's proposal for a wage advance of 30 per cent. for day labourers and twenty seven cents. per ton for hewers.

The mine owners have declined to meet the increases to the miners proposed by the Secretary for Labour unless the Government assumes responsibility for the added burden to the consumers.

## THE PRINCE OF WALES.

New York, Nov. 23. The Prince of Wales sailed for Halifax aboard the *Renown* amid salutes from the forts and blowing of whistles by the vessels.

A great crowd on the banks of the Hudson stormily cheered as the *Renown* left harbour to a thunderous roar of guns from the American warships. A huge procession of motor cars pursued the *Renown* along the banks of the river for miles. The Prince was last seen waving his cap from the fighting top.

## THE INTERNATIONAL LABOUR CONFERENCE.

Washington, Nov. 23. The International Labour Conference has agreed to an eight hour day and forty-eight hour week, with safeguards for the interests of exceptional industries. It also agreed to apply this principle to transportation by sea. Details are to be worked out by a special Conference.

## THE ITALIAN ELECTIONS.

Rome, Nov. 22. The final election results in Italy are: Socialists, 185; Catholics, 100; Liberals, 161; Reformist Socialists, 16; Democrats, 22; Republicans, 9; Ex-Soldiers, 23; Democratic Radicals, 1; Nationalists, 2; Independents, 3; Socialist Radicals, 1; Independent Socialists, 1.

## FIRE ON EX-GERMAN BOAT.

London, Nov. 22. The Peninsular ex-German liner, *Prinz Hubertus*, has arrived after her first voyage from the east. She has been partially destroyed by fire at the Albert Dock. It is hoped that much of the cargo will be salved.

## GERMANS IN THE BALTIC PROVINCES.

Berlin, Nov. 31. The Germans evacuated Mitau, the Iron Division retreating in good order.

## SOBER-ENGLAND.

## A DECREASE IN DRUNKENNESS.

A notable decrease in convictions for drunkenness, which began in the latter months of 1914—the first year of the war—and persisted throughout the three succeeding years, was continued in 1918, but at a somewhat lower rate.

In every month of the year the figures were lower than in the previous year, and the total of 29,073 convictions is the lowest on record, and is 84.61 per cent. below the total for 1913.

The facts are given in the Licensing Statistics for 1918, relating to England and Wales, and issued as a Blue Book.

Following are the totals of convictions for the six years:

Years.	Men.	Women.
1913	153,112	35,765
1914	148,517	37,311
1915	102,500	33,211
1916	62,946	21,245
1917	34,103	12,307
1918	21,853	7,232

Comparing the first and the last of this series of years, it will be seen that, while the total in 1913 was 188,877, it had fallen in 1918 to 29,073, or 84.61 per cent. below the 1913 total.

The proportion of the total convictions contributed by Greater London was 34.9 per cent.

On January 1, 1918, there were 84,644 on-licensed premises and 22,473 off-licenses, a total of 107,117, giving 22,69 on-licenses and 6,632 off-licenses to every 10,000 persons. The decrease in the number of on-licenses in 1917 was 629, a slight increase on the preceding year.

In 1917 the decrease in off-licenses was 2,460, in 1918 it will probably prove to have been about 59.

At the beginning of 1916 there were 7,972 registered clubs, and it is estimated that the number of clubs at the beginning of the present year was 8,045, an increase of 73.

## RASPUTIN'S SLAYER ROBBED.

## ROYAL JEWELS LOST FROM PRINCE'S PLAT.

Prince Felix Youssouffoff, a member of the Russian Royal Family and the slayer of Rasputin, has been robbed in London of Royal jewels of the value of £7,000 under most mysterious circumstances.

The police are extremely reticent about the matter, but a *Daily Chronicle* representative gathered the following particulars:

Shortly before the abdication of the Tsar a quantity of valuable jewellery was removed to this country and deposited in various banks for safe custody.

Among the gems were a hundred Cape diamonds, which were left with a West-end jeweller near Victoria Station by Prince Felix Youssouffoff.

## JEWELS REMOVED.

During the past week, it is said, the Prince removed the jewels to his flat at Parkside, Knightsbridge.

On Monday night he dined in the West-end, and later invited a number of friends to his rooms. A convivial time was spent, and in the early morning, when all his guests had departed, the Prince missed the packet of diamonds.

The police at Walton-street and Scotland Yard were informed, and some of the most astute detectives in London have been inquiring into the matter, but so far they have failed to trace the gems.

## PRINCE'S CAREER.

Prince Youssouffoff is the son of a former Governor-General of Moscow, and is married to the Grand Duchess Irene, daughter of the Grand Duke Alexander Mikailovich and the Grand Duchess Zenia, sister of the late Emperor. He received part of his education at Oxford, and some years ago was a popular figure in London society. He was spending his honeymoon in London just before the war broke out in 1914.

He decided to return at once to Russia, but on reaching the German frontier was arrested. After some difficulty his release was procured, and he returned to his native land, and became attached to a Cossack regiment.

It will be recalled that Rasputin was murdered in the Petrograd mansion of Prince Youssouffoff.

The Prince has always been very fond of fancy dress balls, and on one occasion he caused quite a sensation by appearing at the Three Arts Ball, at the Albert Hall, in Russian dress literally covered with jewels.

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Hongkong, 25th November, 1919.

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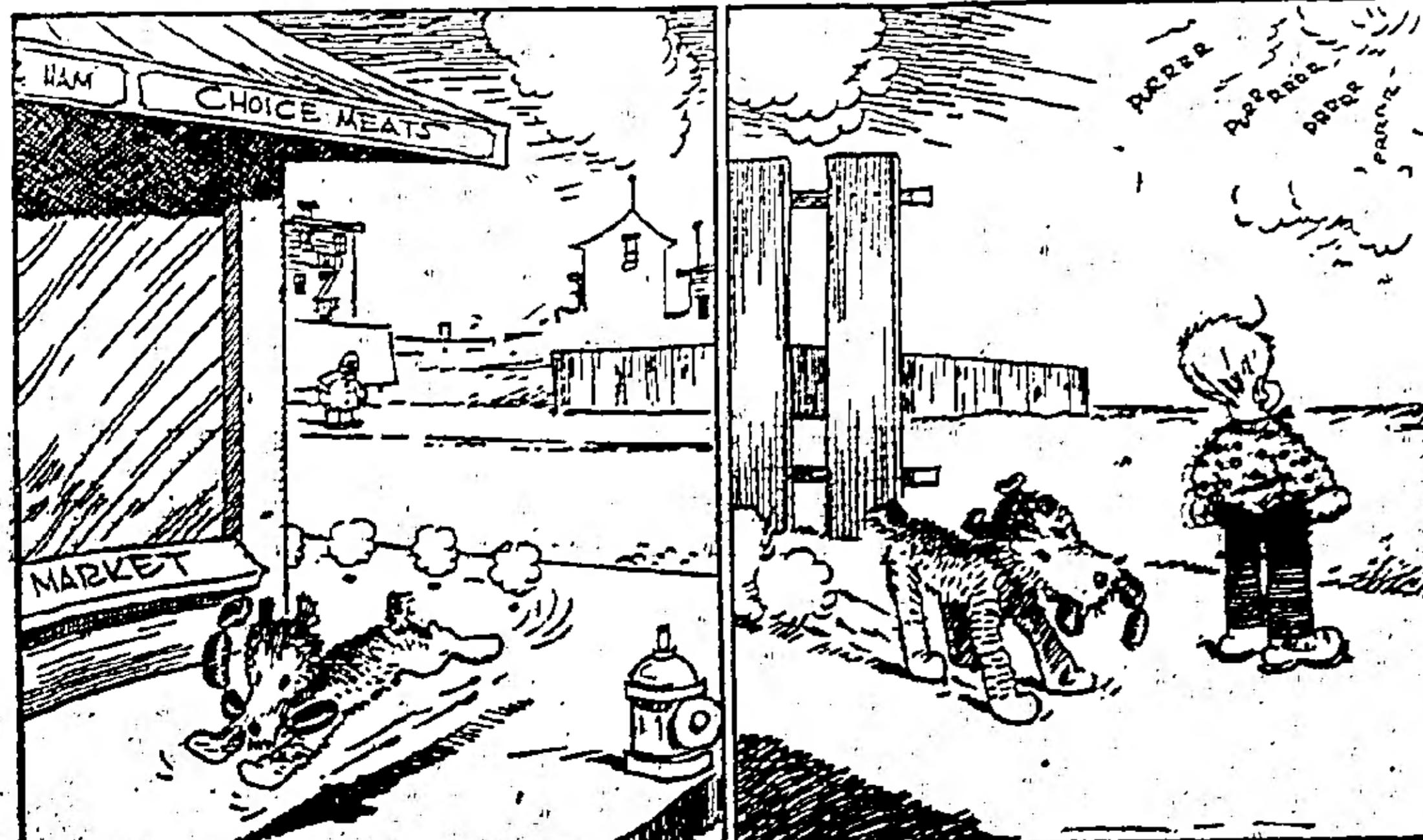
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THE DISABLED.

HOW TO INCREASE OUTPUT.

The King's appeal to employers to engage the services of disabled men adds a fresh and urgent interest to that remarkable development of industrial economy which is known as "Taylorism," and which has been subject recently to various improvements and modifications. The essence of this research work is the elimination of waste. It has been proved that artisans exert in every operation a great deal of unnecessary energy, perform many useless movement, and generally spend upon unproductive activity what should be devoted to productive effort.

The subject was touched upon in the *Times* some time ago in connection with work at an iron foundry. Its more immediate application is, however, to the requirements and abilities of disabled soldiers. Thanks to a careful and scientific study of method of work it has been found possible to realize the energies of men severely crippled, and to make such adjustments in methods of work that these may become producers in a very real sense of the word.

The essence of the new doctrine is the adaptation of the work to the man, not of the man to the work. Various methods have been evolved. For example, a rearrangement of surroundings, equipment and tools may be carried out, slight modifications of machinery may be made. Again, the method in which the work is done may be altered so that some other member of the worker's body may be enabled to perform the task that was previously undertaken by the maimed or missing member.

This system was rather patchy, however, until the Gilbreth produced their special method, known as the "Simultaneous Cycle Motion Chart." This chart records the result of a careful analysis of the movements made by each member of the body in performing any special task, and gives in addition the times occupied by each movement. The analysis is made by means of a series of photographs of the movements taken in a very special manner.

Any motion cycle consists of various elements, such as "Search," "Find," "Grasp," and so on. It is thus possible, when the chart is complete, to see exactly what each member is doing. Given a maimed worker, it becomes possible by a study of the chart—i.e., the chart of a man in normal possession of his powers—to see if or how the work can be adapted to a new set of circumstances. For example, the worker has lost his left arm. His task requires both arms and both legs, but on looking at the chart we find that two-thirds of the operation is right arm, the left arm actually accomplishing comparatively little. We find that where both arms are employed simultaneously the left is only "transporting empty." In this case it is likely that the left arm's operations can be transferred, with a slight change in the conditions, either to the right arm or the feet. Thus a maimed man regains full working capacity.

It is evident that there is here a new hope for the disabled man, and that if those patriotic employers who have elected to engage the services of broken soldiers would interest themselves in this work they would reap a large benefit in output and in personal satisfaction.

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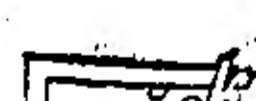
Nothing apparently, is sacred any more. A number of British barristers have declared war—or if not war a strike—against the wig and gown. There is one at Jersabon, in India, who cannot stand them at any price. When he appeared in court without them he was called to order by the Magistrate. "As a human being," said the legal Bolshevik, "I have the strongest objection to looking like a vulture. Also the weather is warm, the wig is hot, and the gown is inartistically conceived."

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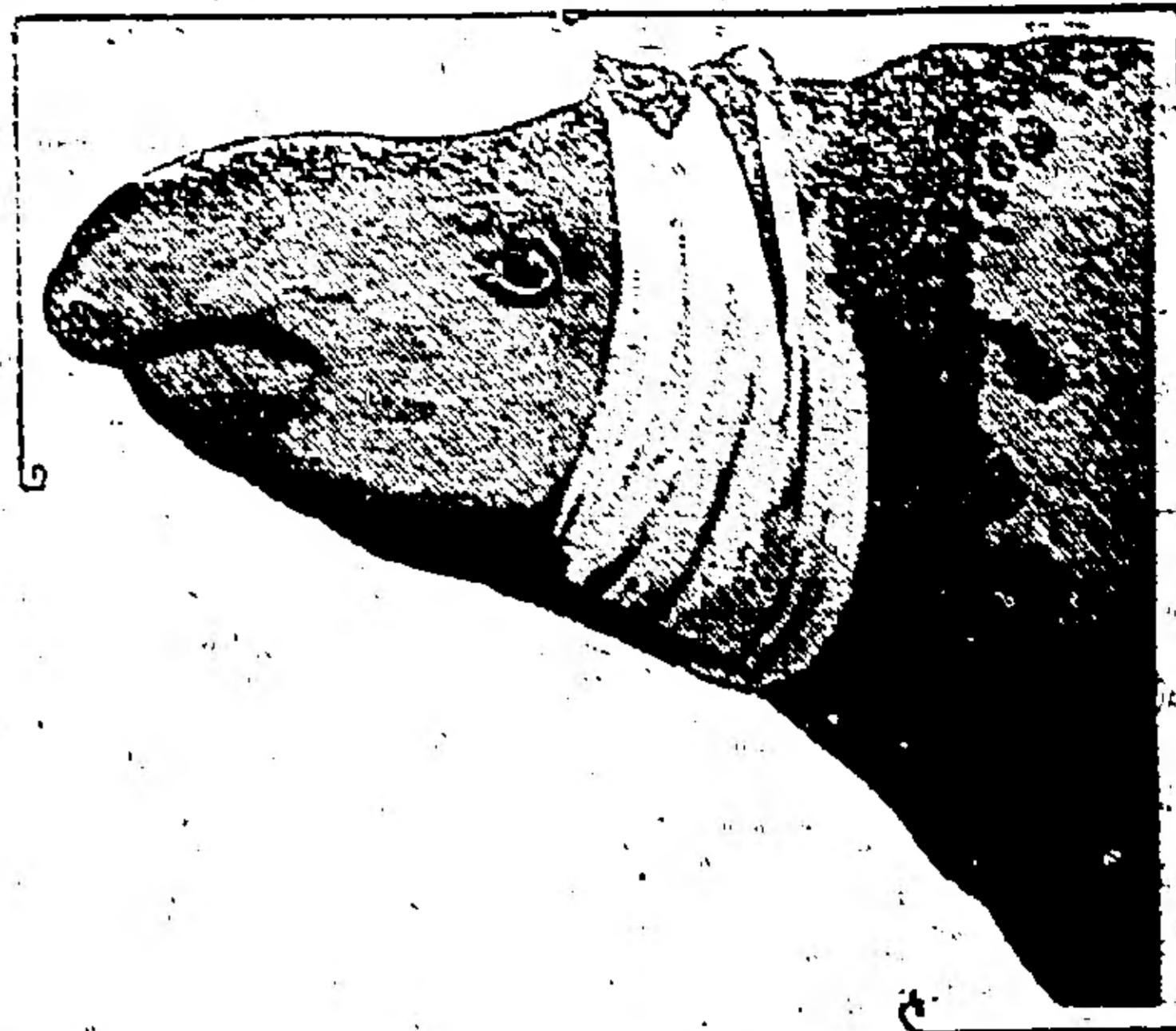
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Prince Carol, Crown Prince of Roumania, fell in love with Mlle. Zizi Bambrino, a beautiful girl well known in the best Roumanian society. They were originally married before a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church at Odessa recently, after the bridegroom had renounced all right to the Roumanian throne for himself and his heirs.



Above are some of the miners' delegates to the Washington Conference. The coal strike is still unsettled.



The above picture shows a tapir at the London Zoo under treatment for the mumps!



Photo shows President Poincaré arriving at the Pointe de Grave for the corner-stone ceremonies of the great monument to be erected by France in commemoration of America's entry into the War.



Above are seen Mrs. S.E.J. Cox and her little son, who recently flew from Chicago to Houston, Texas.



Mr. Kumasaki, the Japanese Consul General at New York, who declares that his country would "make itself ridiculous" if it failed to return Shantung as per agreement.

#### COURTESY.

#### THE COUPON SYSTEM EFFECT.

Mr. M. A. Kinross, has written to the *Daily Chronicle*:—The coupon has eliminated courtesy, one is inclined to think, for is not courtesy the fine flower of competition, whether that competition be social or commercial, of the drawing room or the shop?

Registration is rather like marriage: when one is married one is registered (in the vestry) for life with one individual, with the result that competition being removed, he becomes—*we will not say less courteous—but less attentive, certainly.*

Some tradesmen even take the view that the return of plenty will not bring the return of politeness. I heard of a butcher who told his customers, "No more coupons. Plenty of everything soon, ladies, without coupons. Except courtesy, you won't get that."

"Then I think we should have coupons for courtesy," said one brave customer.

My butcher gives us, not courtesy, but a better thing: unfailing good-humour and geniality. At first I thought there must really be coupons for courtesy at his shop, when I saw ladies outdoing the classic Alphonse and Alfred in giving place in the queue and motioning each other forward: "You come first"; "No, I am sure you turn is next."

Alas! I was soon disillusioned: it was the usual selfishness of human nature. They had counted down the queue and found who would be served by "Charlie" (his fellow-assistant) call him Charlie), and were willing to wait for the privilege. No large, fat man ever

looked so absurdly like a round-faced baby, and though he occasionally says: "Do you wonder I'm getting 'ard-faced?'" one entirely fails to perceive it.

I am a new customer, comparatively speaking, so he had ceased his lament: "To think that I should come to servin' foreign meat!" But as he weighs out he still utters that word "foreign"—well, as the Englishman always utters it, only with a threefold invidiousness. He

will never command any cut to you; you take it at your own risk, unless he can lean forward and say in a confidential and impressive whisper: "A little piece of English rump!"

"Oh, it won't drip," he said,

seeing me stand from under a pendant carcass; "been dead for years!" or, more personally, when I objected to the dark plum-colour of a segment I was about

to receive. "You'd be this colour, too, if you'd been dead for years," I did not doubt it, but it hardly enhanced the appeal.

He may ask you if you would like a bit of fat with your English portion—"but 'twill be foreign fat"—and when you hesitate over the mesalliance, the immixture of alien nationality: "Perhaps 'twould only spoil the taste," he remarks.

I established myself with him by asking one morning:

"Any meat... or only mummy?"

He took it up with pleasure

and served it out across the counter. "Only mummy, to-day,

no meat. Have a steak from

Pharaoh's grandmother? I don't

know whether there's any gravy

in granny, but she's not tough."

The humour is not the most

exquisitely refined, but it is good-

tempered. That is the secret, the

whole reason why Charlie's dis-

paragement succeeds better than another's assurance: "I'll eat beautiful."

Charlie can be greatly daring and depend on his personality to carry it off. And, after all, it's not had policy: if you get a piece of English, you put up with toughness for the sake of the "supshuns" in it—as my old cook used to say—and if it's foreign have you not been made to understand the fact disarms all criticisms and disowns all responsibility?

#### LUCKY CRYSTALS.

Honolulu—There is an unprecedented demand for "olivines," the diamond-like crystals found in lava from Mt. Pele. These stones are called "Hawaiian Diamonds" and are of various

colours—brown, yellow, scarlet—

as well as white. Wearing of

them is said to insure luck.

#### THE GOLF STYMIE.

##### WHY IT SHOULD BE ABOLISHED.

Mr. Frank M. Carruthers writes to the *Daily Chronicle*:

In befriending the stymie and giving it another lease of life, the Rules of Golf Committee have legislated for the minority of golfers. The majority of players

have for long roundly condemned it. But it is not improbable that the committee, in giving their

decision, had no regard for the

opinion of either one section or

the other. Their decree merely

represents their own personal

views.

The reason given for the retention of the stymie is truly quaint.

The committee said they had "no

intention of removing the fun and

skill which stymies provide."

indeed! There can only be one person who can see any humour in a stymie, and it is certainly not the one who has to make the attempt to negotiate it.

The latter, with true philosophy, may merely shrug his shoulders and accept the situation as a rub of the green, but at the best, it creates a feeling that is akin to disgust. It isn't cricket, if one may borrow a phrase.

That the shot to "beat" a stymie demands high skill is admitted. Indeed, the shot is so difficult that it is very rarely accomplished, at any rate when there is real importance attaching to the result. You may make it successfully at the second attempt but then nothing matters, for you have then either lost the hole or only halved it when you felt that you ought to have won it.

In his long and very remarkable memorandum of the amateur

championship, Mr. Hilton remembers only six stymies successfully negotiated in the event.

Of course, we shall continue honourably to observe the stymie—the players will agree amongst themselves to cut it out and not count—but agitation for its elimination is bound to recur.

It is a little curious that the professionals have offered no opinion on the subject, but I do not think it can be taken for granted that this silence implies consent. It does not concern them greatly, as most of their competitions, including the

championship, as decided by stroke-play.

It seems as if one glaring example of the unfairness of the stymie were needed to put an end to it. Imagine a stymie on the last green settling the final of an amateur championship. That might do it.

#### BY ALLMAN.

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HOW TOM, SIT DOWN AND FINISH YOUR BREAKFAST! DON'T LET THIS OIL STOCK DEAL UPSET YOUR APPETITE.

I KNOW BUT I WANT TO GET MY ORDER IN TODAY—YOU KNOW OPPORTUNITY NEVER WAITS FOR ANYBODY.

JUST WAIT, HONEY 'TIL THOSE DIVIDENDS COME ROLLING IN—THERE'LL BE NOTHING TOO GOOD FOR MY LITTLE FAMILY—YOU'LL HAVE A COAT FIVE INCHES THICK!

THAT BE WONDERFUL, TOM—AND YOU'LL SEE THE STOCK MAN—HE'S MOUING.

HOW WONDERFUL IT ALL SEEKS! BUT SUPPOSING IT WOULDN'T PAN OUT ALL RIGHT—SUPPOSING THEY WOULDN'T STRIKE OIL AND WED LOSE.

SAY TOM, I THINK YOU HAD BETTER WAIT UNTIL TOMORROW TO BUY THAT OIL STOCK—I HAPPENED TO THINK OF SOMETHING AND I'LL TALK TO YOU ABOUT IT THIS EVENING.

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Another Thought Suddenly Comes To Helen.

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Hoihow Pakhoi & Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 30th Nov., 9 a.m. MONDAY, 1ST DECEMBER.

Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per CHANGSHA, 1st Dec., Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

Straits & Bangkok TJIKEMBANG 1st Dec., 3 p.m. TUESDAY, 2ND DECEMBER.

Swatow and Bangkok—Per KANCHOW, 2nd Dec., 8 a.m. Shanghai, North China & Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central & South America and EUROPE VIA SAN FRANCISCO—Per KOREA MARU, 2nd Dec., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per SHANTUNG, 2nd Dec., 11 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAICHING, 2nd Dec., noon.

FRIDAY, 5TH DECEMBER.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, South Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via MARSELLIES—Per TAMBA MARU, 5th Dec., Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per QUINNEBAUG, 5th Dec., 11 a.m.

TUESDAY, 9TH DECEMBER.

Philippine Is.—Per TAMING, 9th Dec., 2 p.m.

## OUTWARD MAIIS.

## TO-MORROW.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 28th Nov., noon.

SATURDAY, 29TH NOVEMBER.

Macao—Per SUI AN, 29th Nov., 8.30 a.m.

Shanghai and North China—Per CHENAN, 29th Nov., 3 p.m.

Macao—Per CHUN CHOW, 29th Nov., 4.30 p.m.

SUNDAY, 30TH NOVEMBER.

Macao—Per SUI AN, 30th Nov., 8.30 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy & Formosa via Keelung—Per KAIJO M.

30th Nov., 9 a.m.

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## TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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## Banks.

H.K. & S. Banks	s.	\$560
Marine Insurances.		
Cantons	s.	410
North Chinas	s.	200
Unions	s.	190
Yangtzeas	s.	260
Far Easterns	s.	22

## Fire Insurances.

China Fires	s.	138
H.K. Fires	s.	340

## Shipping.

Douglas	s.	90
Steamboats	s.	23
Indos (Pref.)	s.	20
Indos (Lat.)	s.	215
Shells	b.	205
Ferries	s.	32

## Refineries.

Sugars	sa.	188
Malabons	s.	44

## Mining.

Kailans	b.	90
Langkate	b.	15
Shanghai Loans	b.	15 s. t. 16
Shai Explorations		

Raubs	n.	2.10
Trochis	b.	35
Ural Caspians	s.	46

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
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H.K. Wharves	s.	100
K. Docks	b.	175 s. t. 178
Shai Docks	n.	124
N. Engineerings	n.	t. 27.2

Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
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Centrals	n.	109
H.K. Hotels	s.	120
L. Invest.	s.	118
H. Phreys Est.	s.	91
K.loon Lands	n.	46
L. Reclaimations	n.	175
West Points	s.	90

Cotton Mills		
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Ewos	s.	t. 590
Kung Yika	n.	t. 55
Lau Kung Mows	n.	t. 280
Orientals	n.	t. 320
Shai Cottons	n.	t. 325
Yangtzeapoos	s.	t. 33

Miscellaneous.		
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Cements	n.	7
China Borneos	b.	134
Do. Light	n. old	71/2 new 51/2
China Providents	s.	8
Dairy Farms	b.	23
Electrics H.K.	b.	84
Electrics Macao	n.	34
Hongkong Ropes	n.	29
Hk. Tramways	n.	7.90
Peak Trams	s.	7
Do. new	n.	80 cts.

Steam Laundries	b.	31/4
Steel Foundries	n.	10
Water-boats	b.	12
Watsons	s.	6
Wm. Powells	b.	12
Wisenians	b.	27.5

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